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of which is described and claimed in:

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- (x) the specification in application Serial No. _____ filed July 5, 2000, and with amendments through (if applicable), or
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Japan	11-192759	July 7, 1999	YES
Japan	11-233816	August 20, 1999	YES

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